

Amendments to the specification, with markings to show changes made:

Please replace the paragraph at page 2, lines 15-21, with the following amended paragraph marked showing changes made:

5           Periodontal disease has been correlated to several systemic conditions, such as  
cardiovascular disease, and is thought to contribute to other ~~heath~~ health problems including pre-  
term delivery and low infant birth weight for infants delivered from mothers having periodontal  
disease. While there is no comprehensive list of health related problems associated with  
periodontal disease nor is there a complete understanding as to whether periodontal disease is  
10           aggravated by other health conditions or vise-versa, it is commonly believed that periodontal  
disease can propose a health risk.